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## ROAD BONDS DID NOT SELL.

No Bid Offered Reached Par--Will Be Advertised Again.

The Cumberland County Road Commission opened the sealed bids Monday at 2 p. m. and found that no bid made quite reached par. The enabling act specifically specifies that the bonds shall not be sold for less than par and that no commissions shall be paid in any way.

From letters received it is learned that the bond market is in a very unsettled condition as a result of the present strained conditions between the United States and Germany. That is considered the reason why the bids received were below par and thus made the sale of the \$100,000 offered fail to find a buyer.

They will immediately be readvertised and the sealed bids will be opened August 14. This time it is felt will be sufficient for the final adjustment of the controversy now on between this country and Germany or at least the matter will have resolved itself into such a shape that all fear of war between the two countries will have vanished.

### FENTRESS COUNTY TOO.

The \$150,000 of road bonds offered by Fentress county failed to sell when offered a few days ago. The same general conditions are thought to have caused failure. Fentress county has readvertised and it is probable they will find a bidder at the next sale.

Just now the same place in the laws of Tennessee relative to state, county and municipal bonds stands out very prominently. In this state owners of such bonds are required to pay taxes on them while in many other states such bonds are not subject to taxes and can be held by home people. But for the tax on such bonds there would be several thousand dollars of the bonds held in this county, but as it is no person having money to invest can afford to own a five per cent bond or even a six per cent bond and pay from one and a half to three per cent in taxes.

## DEMENTED AND LOST.

Thomas Lewis Stays in the Woods for Five Days Before He Regains His Mental Poise.

Last Thursday morning Thomas Lewis arrived at Dorton from Glen Mary to act as section foreman for the Tennessee Central railroad. He wandered off into the woods and was not found until Monday night.

Lewis turned up at the home of Esq. C. L. Deatherage Monday evening just at dark and told Mr. Deatherage that he had been on a spree for three weeks before he arrived at Dorton. He left Cincinnati with three pints of whiskey and in an intoxicated condition. He lost his grip at Harbison, but does not know how or what became of it.

After getting off the train at Dorton Thursday morning he remembered nothing only that he felt sick and went into the woods to lie down. He knew nothing more until he woke up in the woods south of Birds Creek, probably three or four miles from Dorton. He started to find his way out and wandered about all day until late in the evening when he arrived at the home of Esq. Deatherage. He had on no clothing except pants and shirt. He did not know when or where he took them off. He had had a good watch in his pocket and that was gone also.

Esq. Deatherage piloted him to Dorton to the section foreman, who telephoned to Crossville to his two brothers, David and Griffith Lewis, who had arrived here from Rathburn Sunday to look for their brother. The Lewis brothers all left for Rathburn on the early train yesterday morning.

This is another evidence of what whiskey will do for those who drink it.

### WAR SITUATION.

Not much activity prevails on any of the battle fronts, but the gains that the Italians are making seem to be the most important. The Russians have succeeded in staying the German drive for Warsaw, for the present at least.

## COUNTY COURT.

Justices Completed the Work of the Quarterly Session In One Day and Adjourn.

The quarterly session of county court convened Monday with all justices present. They completed the work of the session and adjourned the same day. The business was handled with dispatch, there being about the usual volume.

Judge G. P. Burnett made his quarterly report as did E. W. Mitchell, county physician. Both reports were accepted.

A bill for \$18 was presented for holding an inquest over the body of George Golliber, who was killed by the T. C. train a few weeks ago not far from Ozone. Esq. J. T. Ashburn stated that officials of the Tennessee Central urged that the inquest be held and had they not been so insistent he would not have held the inquest for it was clear to the people of his section generally that the man was not of sound mind and that his death was due to accident. The feeling was general with the court that the railroad should pay the cost of the inquest, owing to the conditions and the clerk was directed to furnish the railroad with a bill of the cost of the inquest with a request that it be paid to the county.

Since last term of court seven steel cots have been provided for the jail and installed at a total expense of a little over \$100.

The report of the county judge showed that there is something over \$6,000 in the sinking fund for redeeming the outstanding \$5,000 in court house bonds. Under the provisions of the bonds all or part of the bonds are redeemable after July 1, 1915. Accordingly, Judge Burnett was directed by the court to purchase \$6,000 worth of the court house bonds, which he will do, thus leaving only \$19,000 of the bonds to draw interest.

### TAX RELEASES.

Trustee Jas. Smith was released from taxes on land amounting to approximately \$2,000 because of errors, double assessments, etc. He also reported a list of about \$1,500 in picked up taxes that he asked to have charged to him as trustee. The picked up taxes were greater than usual so that the actual releases were some smaller than is usual.

### RELEASED FROM ROAD WORK.

The following persons were released from road work and the payment of poll tax because of physical disability: C. C. Deatherage, G. W. Elmore, Mike Burgess, Oscar Hyder, Talmadge Watson, Morris Rector, General Hayes, Emmett Selby, Lee Reed.

All the foregoing releases were permanent. Chas. Hamby was released for one year.

Chairman U. S. Rose, of the High School Board, made his report, which showed less funds on hand for the coming year than usual. He also reported to the court that there was a bill amounting to \$167 for repairs on the dormitory unpaid that would put additional strain on the High School fund and asked that the county pay it. After considerable discussion a vote was taken and the payment of the bill from any other of the county funds was declined. The feeling seemed to be that each department of the county, including the High School, should bear its own burdens.

### DEMONSTRATION WORK TO CEASE.

The question of retaining Prof. Frank S. Chance for another year as agricultural demonstrator was taken up and freely discussed. It was decided to dispense with his services this year and to employ no one in his place because of shortage in finances. The report of Prof. Chance was read and the court was highly pleased with the result of his labors and would have liked very much to retain him, but as it was impossible for the High School fund to bear the burden and owing to the shortage in some other departments it was thought best to dispense with the agricultural demonstration work the coming year. The present year of service for Prof. Chance ends September 1.

This outcome of the matter is considered very unfortunate for the county for the work that has been done by Prof. Chance the past year has been very beneficial to the farming interests of the county.

The road commissioner was directed to run the drag over the Memphis to Bristol highway west of town.

E. S. Dunbar, T. M. Brady and A. W. Keyes were re-elected as finance committee for the county.

S. N. Smith was elected a notary public.

The road commissioner was directed to repair the bridge near the Frey mill place.

The idea of storing a quantity of crushed lime here in town so that farmers may secure it in wagon loads or smaller quantities was discussed and very much favored by the court. The matter was left in the hands of the committee that has charge of the crusher.

### COURT ORDER.

The following court order was passed: Ordered by the court that each vocation, occupation and business on which the state has levied a tax, the county tax for the year 1915, shall be the same as levied for state purposes and shall be collected as provided by law.

### JUDGE'S REPORT.

Showing expenditures of the county for past quarter and resources and indebtedness.

To the Honorable County Court of Cumberland county:

I herewith submit my report for the quarter ending June 30, 1915.

I have issued warrants on the various funds as follows:

County	\$2073.28
School	403.50
Special	299.75
Road	34.75
Bridge	2786.94
Court house	625.00
Railroad	3635.93
Total	\$10,769.15

This amount is distributed as follows:

J. P. mileage and per diem	\$ 157.70
Paupers and insane	158.84
Court costs	464.14
Road	34.75
Bridge	2786.94
Sheriff and jail fees	515.70
Poor house	163.94
Court house, semi annual interest	625.00
Salaries county officers, etc.	556.44
Court house expenses	88.67
School	403.50
Railroad	3635.93
Miscellaneous	177.60
Pike Bonds	1000.00
Total	\$10,769.15

Trustee, James Smith, reports the following balances on hand:

County	\$ 5041.88
School	5478.66
Special (overdrawn)	446.45
Road	1672.02
Bridge (overdrawn)	711.03
Railroad	6251.53
Court House	1527.97
High School	138.69
Pike	279.18
Total	\$19,292.45

Receipts past quarter:	
County	\$ 2621.47
School	907.72
Road	136.58
Railroad	8889.20
High School	204.89
Special	126.58
Bridge	273.15
Court House	204.89
Pike	204.89
Total	\$13,579.37

Disbursements past quarter:	
County	\$ 2075.69
School	514.53
Special	172.00
Road	189.21
Bridge	1664.69
Railroad	3635.93
High School	710.79
Court house	625.00
Pike	1000.00
Total	\$10,596.84

Road warrants approved and cancelled \$198.21

The Trustee is charged with the following amounts:

County	\$ 6205.12
School	8606.43
Special (overdrawn)	114.09
Road	2004.38
Bridge (overdrawn)	46.30
Railroad	6251.53
Court House	2026.48
Pike Bonds	777.70
High School	697.21
Total	\$26,408.46

Assets of the county:

Court house sinking fund	\$6369.55
Interest on same	107.00
Pike bond sinking fund	1000.00
Interest on same	40.00
Total	7516.55

Liabilities of the county:	
Outstanding railroad bonds	\$16,000.00
Outstanding court house bonds	25,000.00
Outstanding pike bonds	40,000.00
Outstanding bridge warrants	1096.00
Outstanding county warrants	75.34
Total	\$82,171.34

Respectfully submitted,  
Geo. P. Burnett,  
County Judge.

We, the undersigned Revenue Committee, have examined the foregoing report of the County Judge and have also examined the books of the Trustee and find the same to be correct. Trustee, James Smith, has exhibited a bank statement showing sufficient funds to his credit to cover the amounts shown to be in his hands by the foregoing report.

Respectfully submitted July 8, 1915.  
E. S. Dunbar,  
T. M. Brady,  
Revenue Committee.

### HOLT COMMITS SUICIDE.

Frank Holt, the man who attempted to murder J. P. Morgan, committed suicide by plunging from the window of his cell to the concrete corridor floor. He was dead when picked up.

O. F. Sensabaugh, father-in-law of Holt was a Southern Methodist minister in this county almost 40 years ago and went from here to Texas, where he has since resided. He was a young man of about 20 years of age when he preached in this county, and is remembered by those who knew him as being a man of great force and eloquence.

### MEANS OF WASHING THE EYE

Winking is a Process Which Dame Nature Has Instituted for Optic's Preservation.

The unconscious act of winking bears a quite important relation to the welfare of the eye. This being the most delicate and sensitive organ of the body exposed to the air, it is in constant need of the protection given by the eyelids, which not only close quickly at the approach of danger, but are employed in washing the surface of the eye. Moistening is required to offset the drying effect of the air, and cleaning to prevent the injurious effect of dirt.

Every time you wink the eye is washed. Inside the eye is the little tear gland, which, as its name implies, is busy storing up the supply of tears. This gland keeps the inside of the lid moist, and you wink automatically whenever the surface of the eye becomes dry or a particle of dust or anything else strikes it. This work is done as often as necessary, and to realize how often it is necessary try how long you can keep your eyes open without winking.

### New Discoveries in Pompeii.

Most interesting ruins of Pompeii have been unearthed during the excavations which are being carried out by the Italian government. A magnificent home has been discovered, and all the frescoes and vaulting are in a perfect state. A staircase was found intact leading from the lower to the upper floor of the house. The surroundings of the house have also been explored, and several smaller houses have been brought to light finely adorned with pictures of exquisite coloring. A few of the houses have mosaic floors with pictures of scenes taken chiefly from the Trojan war. In addition to these, the bodies of several persons who must have been surprised in their houses by the disaster which destroyed the city have been found, and in several cases their garments are in a very good state of preservation.

### Chinese Currency.

Currency in China has had all sorts of surprises for the layman, but the present situation is simply extraordinary. There is now found to be an actual plethora of dollars and small coins, and since last August the Chinese have been melting them and converting them into sycee. The reason why dollars are being melted is that large issues of the provincial mints have found no use in the market, and as all Chinese accounts are in taels the present price of the dollar is not very conducive to its existence and circulation.

## FODDER PULLING.

It Reduces the Corn Yield from Five to Twenty-five per Cent.

For many years the farm journals of the country have been urging the farmers to cease pulling fodder, but the practice goes on just the same with many farmers.

The principal reasons why fodder should not be pulled are summed up in the following:

It cuts the corn yield from 5 to 25 per cent.  
It injures the seed corn for planting next year.  
The fodder is worth little more after it is pulled than the actual cost of pulling.  
It is a much poorer feed than legume hay, which could be produced with about the same amount of labor.

For several years the Chronicle has called attention to the evils of fodder pulling and has repeatedly urged those farmers who persist in pulling fodder to make a careful test as to the grain produced where the fodder is pulled and where not pulled. It is a very easy matter to make such a test and one test we feel sure will cure almost any farmer of the fodder pulling practice.

Give the fodder pulling a fair test this year by leaving a few rows and then carefully weigh the corn that comes from those rows and the corn that comes from an equal number of rows where the fodder is pulled. It is not a fair test to measure the corn for pulling fodder causes corn to shrink and be light in weight but does not reduce the size of the ear to much extent. Every one knows that when the corn is shelled and weighed that will prove the surest test as to the actual corn produced. So, if you really want to get the solid facts on the fodder pulling question, shell and weigh the corn and we feel sure you will be converted once for all.

During county court we saw several of the leading farmers over the county and arranged with them to make a test of a few rows of corn to see what the results are when the fodder is pulled and when it is not pulled. They are each to pull the fodder from a few rows, shuck and shell the corn and weigh it. Take a like number of rows from which the fodder is not pulled, shuck, shell and weigh it and report the result. They are also to report the approximate number or rows of corn to the acre so that a close estimate may be made of the gain or loss by pulling fodder or not pulling. We would like to have several more men to make this same experiment and then report to us by letter. The following are those who have thus far agreed to try the experiment: Thomas Hale, Biglick; Houston McCoy, Genesis; J. H. Henry, Isoline; J. T. Ashburn, Ozone; J. Q. Wyatt, Vandever; G. W. Davenport, Grassy Cove; Sam Tollett, Creston.

## POSTMASTER AT ROCKWOOD.

Hammond Fowler, Q. & C. Agent, Gets That Much Coveted Job.

Hammond Fowler has been named as postmaster at Rockwood. W. E. McElwee was first chosen by Senator Lea, but on account of age could not qualify. Mr. Fowler was then chosen. "Ham" Fowler, as he is familiarly known, has been for 25 years agent for the Q. & C. at Rockwood and is one of the most popular and capable citizens of Rockwood. For ability, courtesy and a disposition to render every reasonable accommodation to the public, no man in Rockwood can surpass Hammond Fowler.

The retiring postmaster, R. P. Sulte, is largely interested in the Rockwood Times, conducted it as editor for several years before being appointed postmaster by Congressman R. W. Austin. Mr. Sulte is a capable newspaper man and will assume the duties of the Times tripod and direct the destinies of that progressive news purveyor.

Louis J. Scholl has been directing the destinies of the Times since the appointment of Mr. Sulte as postmaster and he has just recently rounded out a quarter of a century as one of the Times force. He has made a clean and useful journal of the Times during his editorship. He will now return the editorial quill to the hands of Mr. Sulte, but it is very probable he will be retained on the Times force.